

Memphis Animal Services Advisory Board Meeting
October 13, 2010

Meeting called to order: 10:05 am

Present:

Michelle Buckalew
Allen Iskiwitz
Cindy Sanders
Jackie Johns
Matthew Pepper - ex-officio

Minutes: Approval at next meeting

Old Business:

1. Expanded form for owner surrender. Mr. Pepper stated this would be implemented for owner to complete regarding info on surrenders. May provide info to owners about reality of surrender to a high-kill shelter.
2. Second Chance employees as ACOs not allowed to write citations. Board wants all staff members to function as to their job description. Mr. Pepper - will look into this.
3. Have all intact animals from the Feb adoption event been neutered? Mr. Pepper will check.
4. Status on evaluations? Currently implemented.
5. Readdress lack of enforcing law banning roadside animal sales and adding it to the ticket book. MPD do not need to enforce this law as it clearly falls under animal laws currently enforced by MAS. Mr. Pepper "we have been instructed not to enforce because it is not our function."
6. MAS website. Mr. Pepper website will be created in the future.
7. Credit card - still in bidding process.

Agenda items:

Jackie Johns - On the Job Injuries - Why not place the OJI employees on the day shift or find something for them to do with more supervision. OJI records received through FOIA did not reflect correct numbers. Mr. Pepper - we can move them but there are issues.

Cindy Sanders - Received Crystal report on MAS stats. 300+ dogs unaccounted for over a two year period. Mr. Pepper - the euthanasia room might not have had a chance to record the euthanasias.

Allen Iskiwitz - Barcode system. Is it being used at the shelter? Are the barcodes on the cage? Mr. Pepper - codes are on cage and computer.

Michelle Buckalew - What is being done for outreach to the business community. There are two communication directors involved with the city and county schools that Mr. Pepper should contact. Mayor Wharton should reach out to the Vet Association to get PSA for s/n.

Meeting opened to the public.

Gail Phillips - Wants the city to establish a task force on s/n.

Anne Marie Easton - FMAS is listing the behavior of animals. This makes her very nervous and wonders about the liability it presents for MAS and the city.

Meeting adjourned: 12:15